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COUNTRY Czechoslovakia

REPORT

TOPIC 1. Unit [redacted] in West of Litava

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2. New Tank Repair Shop near Novy Jicin

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EVALUATION [redacted] PLACE OBTAINED [redacted]

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1. Unit [redacted] in West of Litava (Q 50/0 07), whose commanding officer was a major, was assigned to an engineer regiment in Kromeriz (P 50/N 92) until 12 November 1950. The unit was composed of A Co of about 130 men with POB No X/2, K Co of about 160 men, L Co of about 120 men and M Co of about 130 men. X Co was unarmed while the three other companies were equipped with new model rifles. In late October 1950, X and K Cos were transferred to Novy Jicin (P 50/046), where they were employed for the construction of a new factory in Senov, about 3 km northwest of Novy Jicin. Construction work was done in the morning while infantry training without weapons was given in the afternoon. *

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2. A tank repair shop was being built in Senov, about 200 meters from the local railroad station. Work on the construction of the installation was started in 1948. Four workshops were completed by November 1950, another one was under construction, and the erection of a sixth shop was planned. Some temporary wooden buildings, garages and other auxiliary buildings were also available. The factory area, which measured about 200x300 meters, was surrounded by a wall, 3 meters high, and had a railroad connection. Tanks of various types were being repaired in one of the completed workshops as early as November 1950. The manufacture of tank spare parts was also observed.

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* Comment. [redacted] the unit can be identified as a road construction battalion (penal battalion), which is assigned to the 3d Ingr Regt in Kromeriz. [redacted] New rifles have so far been mentioned in only one previous report from Czechoslovakia.

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